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1. During January and February 1950 the Communist forces listed below were withdrawn from the Leichou Peninsula and redistributed along the coastal area between Yangchiang (111-55, 21-50) and the Pearl River.
 - a. Before 11 January the Communist 14 Army moved to Yangchun (111-47, 22-10) and Yangchiang.
 - b. During the first week of February 100,000 troops with 100 small ships arrived in Taishan and Enping (112-19, 22-12) hsien for garrison duty.
 - c. From the end of January to 5 February about 40,000 troops of CHEN Keng's command passed through Kongmoon (Chiangren) en route to Canton.
 - d. From 10 to 20 February light and heavy artillery and 20,000 troops went from Yangchiang to Sanfou (111-46, 22-27 ?).
2. On 22 February Communist army headquarters in Changsha (112-42, 22-22) and Kaiping (112-31, 22-31) moved to Hsinhuihsien (113-06, 22-34), where the Communists have 100 men, and the Kongmoon Military Control Commission moved to a village 30 li from Kongmoon to escape Nationalist air raids.
3. As of 22 February Communist supplies and artillery were being moved from Kaiping to Canton and heavy artillery moved into parts of Chungshan hsien*.
4. Communist attacks on Shangchuanshan (112-, 21-) and Tachin (113-, 21-) Islands forced Nationalist guerrillas there to evacuate the islands and retreat into the hills.

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Comment. It is believed that these forces will be used in the Hainan campaign. [REDACTED] indicate that the Communists in these areas are seizing junks and other native shipping. At this season winds are uniformly favorable for 8-10 hour sail to the coast of Hainan.

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